

Talk with ADE

Friday, January 23, 2004
Balsz Elementary District Board Room
10:00 a.m.

- ✓ Welcome by Joanne Phillips
- ✓ Discussion of Out-of-Level Testing (OLT)
 - Arizona is only state to do testing in February
 - Small % of kids in significant cognitive disability (SCD) category
 - Review of district test data from 2002-03 school year
 - Use of standard/non-standard accommodations
 - o Details on how districts can 'appeal out' – all or none
 - Discussion on use of 'UE'
 - o Who will notify districts/charters
 - Aims-A vs. OLT
 - Cutoffs/Rankings on AIMS-A
 - o May change from year-to-year
 - o AZ has 11 increments of measurement compared to most other states who have 4
- ✓ Discussion of Criteria for Determining SCD
 - Group I: MR = MIMR; MOMR; SMR; MD & MDSSI (1 category is MR)
 - Group II: Standard Score <70 w/Current E/I (1 yr)
 - o Prior to 1 yr – validate current classroom functionality levels consistent with obtained prior standard scores*

*It was agreed above criteria will be used this year and a team will be formed to define future criteria.

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NCLB = All students will be proficient by 2013

- ✓ 2004 IDEA Paperwork Reduction Grant
 - Should be online by Monday, 1/26/04
 - Codes included to ease application process
- ✓ Early Resolution
 - Clarification of procedure on complaint previously resolved through Early Resolution – letter is issued by ADE stating complaint was previously resolved through Early Resolution
- ✓ Surrogate Parent List
 - The proposal to have district's appoint surrogate parent is a legislative item for this year
- ✓ Termination of Services
 - It was suggested that an AzTAS document be created on termination of services.
 - o This may be something to include in the IEP document, but not until after reauthorization.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, February 27, 2004 at Balsz Elementary District Board Room from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.